

CUT THROAT WITH RAZOR.

Brooklyn Man Kills Him-
self in Boarding-
House.

HE WAS DESPONDENT.

Butler Left Three Letters Be-
fore Committing
Suicide.

Believing that the people who lived in the next room had an X-ray apparatus turned on him through the wall, Emanuel Butler, killed himself at 90 State street, Brooklyn, by cutting his throat with a razor to-day.

Butler was a partner in the Bartram & Butler Co., of 61 Pearl street, this city.

Butler went to the State street boarding-house six weeks ago. He said he had been traveling in Italy and Cuba. He was last seen alive at 9 o'clock last night.

He was not down at 9 o'clock this morning, and Mrs. Sutherland, the landlady, went up to call him. Seeing blood on the floor, she sent James Watson, another boarder, upstairs. He found Butler dead in bed, with his throat cut from ear to ear.

Three sealed letters were left by the man. One was addressed to Mrs. Anna Butler, Elgin, Neb. Another was for the Bartram & Butler Co., 61 Pearl street, New York, and the third was addressed to J. H. Bartram, 61 Pearl street, New York.

Little was known about Butler at the boarding-house. He was very reticent until yesterday, when he said to Mrs. Sutherland: "I've been a very bad man."

"You've always been all right here," Mrs. Sutherland replied.

"I have been a very bad man," he repeated. "Every one is watching me. The people in the next room have an X-ray instrument directed toward me and they know all."

Then Butler told Mrs. Sutherland that he had \$1,000 coming to him in Manhattan, but that he had been a little slow in getting it.

At 10 o'clock he wrote a dispatch, which he said was to his brother. He wanted Mrs. Sutherland to take it to a telegraph office at once. She sent her husband. Butler gave him the money to pay for its transmission. When Sutherland got to the telegraph office he found that the dispatch would cost more money than Butler had given him and he took it back.

Butler took it and did not insist on sending it.

This is the dispatch:

"W. A. Butler, Orlando, Fla.
Wire \$5 to Mrs. Sutherland, 90 State street, N. Y. If you lose this it will hurt me. It is life or death to me. Do not refuse. She is my beloved wife. Do it. Answer 'yes' or 'no' to-night."

In the pockets of the dead man were found a number of letters addressed to Emanuel H. Butler, Santiago de Cuba, Cuba.

They were from J. B. Bartram, 61 Pearl street, and related to the sale of cattle. They indicated that Butler represented Bartram in selling the cattle.

Butler was about fifty years old and seemed to be a respectable and intelligent man.

Bartram Bros., at 61 Pearl street, are commission merchants trading between this country and the West Indies. Butler came from Connecticut and was employed by the firm as a salesman. Four years ago he and J. B. Bartram organized the firm of the Bartram & Butler Trading Company.

J. B. Bartram is the President of the company. Bartram and the Treasurer, Seth W. Fox, went to the coroner's office in Brooklyn this afternoon. Butler left the letters left for the company.

Mr. Bartram said after he had read them that they concerned business matters and threw no light on the cause of the suicide. He said that Butler had been in the tropics for five years and had several hundred dollars on deposit with the company. The letter asked \$50 from the company for a trip to Cuba.

Mr. Bartram declared that he was out of his mind when he killed himself.

Mrs. Anna Butler, he said, was the suicide's mother.

TRIED TO KILL HERSELF.

Husband Fought with Wife to Save Her, but She Swallowed Carbolic Acid.

Mrs. Margaret Steinman, twenty-six years old, of 325 West Twelfth street, quarreled with her husband John early this morning. She rushed into the kitchen and, picking up a bottle of carbolic acid, attempted to swallow the contents. Her husband caught her just as she raised the bottle to her lips and a struggle followed.

Mrs. Steinman, who fought furiously, succeeded in drinking a small quantity of the acid before the bottle was taken away from her. She was removed to St. Vincent's Hospital, where the stomach pump was used with good effect.

TOY FIRM ASSIGNS.

Discussion Among Stockholders Said to Be Cause of Voluntary Liquidation.

The New York China Glass and Toy Company, of 37 and 39 Murray street, assigned to-day to Walter P. Long, of 61 Exchange place.

Mr. Long said that he did not know exactly what the finances of the company were. The reason for the assignment, he thought, was that there was a discussion among the stockholders, and voluntary liquidation followed.

WHEAT WAS FIRMER ON BETTER CABLE.

The new year began with a moderate expression of bull sentiment in the wheat market to-day, but there was little improvement in business over Saturday's close.

The Liverpool cables benefited our market somewhat, ruling a trifle higher. Foreign houses, however, ignored the market.

New York's opening price was: May wheat, 95 1/2; July, 95 1/2; May corn, 35 1/2; wheat, 8 1/2; July, 8 1/2; May corn, 35 1/2; wheat, 8 1/2; July, 8 1/2; May corn, 35 1/2.

The Equitable Life Assurance Society

Of the United States.

Preliminary Statement, Jan. 1, 1930.

Outstanding Assurance, \$1,050,000,000
Income, - - - - - 52,000,000
New Assurance issued, 200,000,000
Assets, - - - - - 280,000,000
Assurance Fund and
all other liabilities, 218,000,000
Total Surplus, - - - 62,000,000

Detailed Statement will be published hereafter.

James W. Alexander, President.

James H. Hyde, Vice-President.

GOOD TONE IN STOCKS.

Prices Are Better All
Through The List
To-Day.

The first figures in the stock market today showed a strong tone for the beginning of the new year.

The slight irregularity in London quotations had no effect here. The specialties gained as much as 4 points. This was in Federal Steel.

Brooklyn Rapid Transit was the only stock to begin under the close of Saturday. It opened down a point and soon fell another.

The Granger list gained on an average of half a point. Pacific Mail moved up a figure. The other railroad stocks advanced fractionally.

Some of the industrials made good upward movements. Beside the big jump in Federal Steel, People's Gas, Iron and Steel issue and Leather made gains of over a point.

Manhattan was steady and Metropolitan strong.

The trading was slow, but what transactions were made were of good-sized lots.

A said on Brooklyn Transit drove it down 3-4, and caused depression in many other stocks. Metropolitan Street Railway lost 3 and most of the other active specialties about a point.

Conspicuous strength was displayed by the Readings, Continental Tobacco and Pittsburgh, C. & S. St. Louis issues.

A quick rise in sugar prices to 22 1/2, coupled with a 3-point rally on heavy covering in Brooklyn Transit, checked the decline and prices were hardening all around by 11 o'clock.

The whole list was active and strong until near noon, when a selling tide developed. Bonds were quiet and irregular.

MAY PUSH "BEAR" CASE

New Grand Jury Told to
Take Up B. R. T.
Scandal.

Judge McMahon, in his charge to the January grand jury, which he swore in this morning, referred casually to the investigation made by the December grand jury into the origin of alleged rumors affecting the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company.

"I have here," said the Judge, "a presentment made by your predecessors. Give this matter the same consideration and careful consideration, as required by law, as you would any other case."

These remarks were the only reference the Judge made to the charges.

Ex-Assistant District Attorney John D. Lindsay, representing the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, was in court.

James H. Curry, a merchant, of 46 East Tenth street, was selected as foreman of the new grand jury.

His fellow jurors are: J. J. King, Duane street, 34; Samuel Love, real estate, 142 West Twenty-second street; Hugh D. Auchincloss, merchant, 22 William street; Edward D. Depeu, grocer, 41 Harrison street; John G. O'Keefe, broker, 46 Broadway; De Forest Grant, president, 25 Fourth avenue; William J. Doughty, glass, 36 Murray street; Edward Doughty, insurance, 25 William street; George Reid, painter, 164 Third avenue; Meyer Jonasson, cloaks, 87 Broadway; John D. Barry, retired, 145 West 101 street; and twenty-five others.

John Vose, blueston, 125 First avenue; Herman B. Black, quicksilver, 27 William street; Herman B. Black, quicksilver, 27 William street; David W. Greenberg, manager, 320 Seventh avenue; Michael B. Fleishman, merchant, 112 William street; Fred F. Lockwood, insurance, 60 Produce Exchange; and John J. Lapham, banker, 38 Ferry street.

During his charge to the grand jury Judge McMahon took occasion to draw attention to the unusual condition of public business of the courts.

"For the first time I am free to say," Judge McMahon said, "there are less than one hundred prisoners in the Tombs awaiting trial. The District Attorney's office is to be congratulated on this showing."

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6th Ave., 18th and 19th Sts.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 1930.

Telephone, 2740-18th.

Our Fourth Annual Sale of Household Linens and Cottons

opened this morning with every promise of success. Thrifty housekeepers, stewards of hotels, clubs, &c., were early and heavy purchasers, and no wonder, the goods were so fine and the prices so low. This class of goods has advanced 30% in price during the last twelve months, and they're likely to advance still more in the near future. There's no better time to buy them than the present, and no cheaper place to buy them than The Big Store, as direct importations ordered many months ago enable us to sell once more and likely for the last time at old prices. Look at a few of the quotations prevailing during this Great Sale.

TOWELS ALL LINEN DAMASK TOWELS, with knotted fringe, actual size 21x46 inches, present wholesale price \$2.00 dozen, in this sale at, each 12¢
HENMISTED TOWELS, with colored borders, actual size 18x29 inches, present wholesale price \$1.20 per dozen, in this sale, at each 6¢
HENMISTED TOWELS, fine quality, with white or fancy borders, actual size 21x42 inches, wholesale price \$3.00 per dozen, in this sale at, each 22¢
LINEN GLASS TOWELLING, cost to import 64¢ per yard, in this sale at, each 5¢

WHITE KITCHEN TOWELS already hemmed, at each 10¢
FRINGED DOYLIES WHITE DOYLIES, size 20x20 inches, in this sale, at each 12¢
COLOR BORDERED DOYLIES, in this sale at, each 2¢
LUNCH SET, consisting of a tablecloth about 24 yards long, and 12 doilies to match; wholesale price \$2.25 per set, in this sale at 1.50
LUNCH CLOTHS, 2 yds. long, with white and colored borders; would be considered cheap at 75¢ each; in this sale at 59¢

PATTERN TABLE CLOTHS Instead of selling table linen by the yard we will sell Pattern TABLE CLOTHS, with damask borders on all four sides, at the same price you usually pay for goods by the yard—in fact, for less, as these quotations will show:

8-4 size at, each 1.00 These prices are equivalent to 50¢ per yard.
10-4 size at, each 1.25
12-4 size at, each 1.50

Fine Double Damask Pattern Table Cloths, 2 yards long, at 1.25
24 yards long, at 1.50
3 yards long, at 1.75

LINEN NAPKINS 1,000 dozen at, per dozen 49¢
1,000 dozen at, per dozen 75¢
1,000 dozen at, per dozen 95¢

Finer qualities at prices that are proportionately as cheap.

SHIRTS AND PILLLOW CASES HEMSTITCHED PILLLOW CASES, 45x56 10¢
inches, at each 10¢

READY-MADE PILLLOW CASES, in three sizes at, each 5¢
READY-MADE SHEETS, for single bed, at each 25¢
READY-MADE SHEETS, for 3/4 size beds, at each 30¢
READY-MADE SHEETS for full-size beds, at each 35¢

MUSLINS AND SHEETINGS At 25% less than prices charged elsewhere.
10,000 yards of HALF BLEACHED SHEETING, 48 inches wide made of the "Fruit of the Loom" brand; actual value 14¢ per yard; in this sale at, per yard 9¢

The Fourth Annual Sale

of Office Furniture now in successful progress at the Big Store presents to economical business men the opportunity of the year for the purchase of good, desirable office furniture at the lowest of prices. Here are some quotations that may profitably be perused:

OFFICE DESK, low top curtain, 50 inches wide, 29 inches high; well worth \$18.50, in this sale at 11.75
OFFICE DESK of golden oak, high roll top, 50 inches wide, 32 inches deep, 50 inches high, full bevel panels in sides and back, with bevel drawer fronts, 5 oak letter cases in right hand base, 4 large drawers in left hand base, 6 wood-faced pigeon-hole cases, a 21.00

REVOLVING OFFICE CHAIRS of solid oak, with cane seats, screw or swivel (some like illustration), regular price \$3.00; in this sale at the special closing price 2.75

LEATHER COUCH, has spring edge all around, is well made and will hold its shape, very comfortable 19.50

The same COUCH covered in leatherette, a substance that looks like leather and wears quite as well, in 9.75
OFFICE TABLE of solid oak, polished, 28x42 inches on top, has spiral turned legs and large drawer fitted with lock and key; strong, durable and well finished; worth fully \$8.50, in this sale at 4.75

Complete lines of roll and flat top Office Desks, Filing Cabinets, Office Stools, Chairs, Letter Press Stands, Typewriter Desks, &c., all offered at very low prices during this big annual sale.

DEPEW A B. R. T. DIRECTOR? AFTER BARREN ISLAND.

Annual Election Will Reveal, It is Said, Who Controls the System.

Interesting developments in Brooklyn Rapid Transit affairs are expected to take place at the annual meeting on Jan. 28, and the result of the election will show just what interests control the system.

There is talk that several new directors will be elected to the Board at the annual meeting and among the names mentioned is that of Chauncey M. Depew.

Senator Depew's entrance into the Brooklyn Rapid Transit affairs has been a subject of much interest to the public, and it is expected that the annual meeting will give a clear picture of the situation.

The Annual Sale of Women's Undermuslins

is destined to be a great success from every point of view since "fame follows merit wherever it goes," and the offerings of dainty, tasty, well-made Undermuslins this sale places within your reach are not only meritorious but, in addition, most remarkably low priced.

We expect from day to day to announce additions to the many attractive bargains already made public, and would earnestly advise you to act on them promptly, for good things sell fast.

Here are some for to-morrow:

Women's MUSLIN UNDERSKIRTS, with umbrella flounce, trimmed with two rows of wide insertion and finished with ruffle, edged with torchon lace dust ruffle, at 75¢
Women's CAMBRIC GOWNS, with small yoke of tucks and lace insertion, at 45¢
Women's UNDERSKIRTS, of coutil cloth with corded umbrella ruffle, at 45¢
Women's WRAPPERS in handsome dark and medium colors, with braided collars and cuffs, your choice at 45¢
Women's Fine Muslin DRAWERS, have cluster of 6 tucks and wide ruffle of good quality embroidery, at 29¢
Women's White Muslin UNDERSKIRTS, have dust ruffle and deep flounce, trimmed with lace insertion and edge of Torchon lace, at 55¢
Women's Muslin EMPIRE GOWNS, with embroidered front, revers, collar and sleeves; worth 75¢, at 55¢
Women's Heavy Flannelette NIGHT GOWNS, in small stripes, V-shaped lined yoke and braid trimming, at 55¢

The Cloak Department presents for to-morrow special offerings in Ladies' Suits, Skirts and Jackets, the like of which it will be difficult to find elsewhere to-morrow even at considerable advance over our quotations.

LADIES' STORM SUITS of heavy twilled cloth, in mixture of Oxford, gray, brown and blue; completely unlined; a greatly admired storm suit and the best that can be made for that purpose, at 15.75
250 LADIES' SKIRTS, of broadcloth, cheviot, serge, Venetian, wide wale cheviot and basket-weave cloth, with elaborately stitched taffeta band trimming; worth \$12.50; here to-morrow, special, at 7.50
100 LADIES' PLAID and GOLF SKIRTS in a variety of designs; worth \$10 and \$12.50; your choice for 5.00
LADIES' JACKETS of heavy cloth, in black, blue, tan, castor, mode, gray, broad royal and oxford; lined with the best satin and taffeta; more than 50 distinct styles of the foremost makers; some braided, some with elaborate stitching and straps; a big assortment; worth from \$10 to \$16.50; special; your choice to-morrow at 7.90

The After Holiday Sale of Injured Books

will be continued to-morrow, when all that remains of the books that were soiled or otherwise injured during the rush of holiday trade will be disposed of at greatly reduced prices. It's the book-lover's opportunity. A few quotations only are given, but enough to give you an idea of the big cut in prices.

A GENTLEMAN PLAYER, by Stephens, published at \$1.50, special, at 75¢
THE HEART DENISE, by Yeats, published at \$1.25, special, at 75¢
THE DAUGHTERS OF BABYLON, by Wilson Barrett, published at \$1.50, special, at 80¢
On our 25-Cent Table we have arranged an assortment of 3,000 taken from broken sets, odd volumes, &c. They were sold last week for 25 cents, 50 cents, 75 cents and \$1.00; special price to-morrow, per volume 25¢

The Annual Sale of Office Stationery,

held in conjunction with the sale of Office Furniture, is now well under way and while it lasts business men have the opportunity afforded them of purchasing everything needed in the way of blank books, office stationery, &c., at the year's lowest prices here or elsewhere. Some additional quotations for to-morrow follow:

SINGLE INK WELL, iron base 18¢
SALESMEN'S DUPLICATE and TRIPPLICATE ORDER BOOKS 8¢
WEEKLY TIME BOOKS, 8x13, bound in full duck, Russia corners 50¢
MINIATURE LEDGERS, JOURNALS, DAY BOOKS and CASH BOOKS, bound in full duck 40¢
100-page LEDGERS, JOURNALS, DAY BOOKS and CASH BOOKS, bound in full duck, imitation Russia ends and hands, good grade heavy white paper 1.50
300-page LEDGERS, JOURNALS, DAY BOOKS and CASH BOOKS, bound in full sheep, imitation Russia ends and hands, good grade heavy white paper 1.60
100-page LETTER-COPYING BOOKS, bound in black cloth ends, Russia back and corners, perfect copying paper 1.45
STAFFORD'S NON-CORROSIVE BLACK RUBBER WRITING FLUID, quart bottles, 45¢; pint bottles, 25¢; 1/2-pt. bot. 15¢

Cigars.—Smokers will appreciate the following offers for to-morrow, as the cigars are both good and cheap:

CHAPPEL, Sumatra wrapper, finest long combination filler Puritanos, per box of 50 1.90
HAWANA SPECIALS, Havana wrapper and filler, actual 10¢ value, Concha Selectos, per box of 50 1.95
LIBERTY GIRL, Sumatra wrapper, finest long combination filler, \$2.25 value, per box of 50 1.25
HOFFMAN HOUSE BOUQUET, regular 10¢ size, box of 50 3.25

HOLDS KEYS OF COURT.

Ex-Senator Wieman, Not Recognized, Plans to Worry Justice Lynch.

Justice Lynch, of the Third District Municipal Court in Brooklyn, still refuses to recognize Julius A. Wieman as chief clerk of the court. Wieman was appointed last Thursday by Justice Benintapan, who was Justice Lynch's predecessor. The latter claims that the appointment was not legal.

Wieman reported for duty this morning, and receiving no recognition, told the Justice that he had all the keys of the court and the combination of the justice of the court.

